

**Community Development Block Grant
Priority Needs & Objectives
FY 2020-2025**

Priority: Affordable Housing*

- Increase the availability of affordable rental housing for extremely low (30% AMI), very low (50% AMI), and low (80% AMI) income households in a range of sizes.
- Preserve and rehabilitate existing affordable rental and ownership for households at or below 80 percent of the area median income (AMI)
- Promote fair housing enforcement and outreach with a goal of reducing housing discrimination
- Assist low and moderate income first time homebuyers

Priority: Homelessness*

- Prevent homelessness and other housing crises.
- Increase housing opportunities for homeless and extremely low-income households.
- Deliver supportive services to promote stability and independence.
- Measure success and report outcomes.

Priority: Other Special Needs*

- Increase the availability of service-enriched housing for persons with special needs.

Priority: Non- Housing Community Development*

Public Services

- Support programs directed to services for families and individuals who are vulnerable and in crisis (domestic violence survivors, seniors, and other groups faced with challenges to meet basic needs) that provide services that address fair housing, domestic violence, food security, homelessness, housing supports, mental health, and safety/crime prevention.
- Address homeless prevention

Economic Development

- Provide economic development and entrepreneurship opportunities to low-income residents.
- Increase the capacity of local economic development agencies and other community based initiatives.
- Increase the availability of capital to businesses to benefit low-income persons.

Public Facilities and Infrastructure

- Improve public facilities and improvements, including transportation, that serve low-income clients and neighborhoods and persons with disabilities
- Improve accessibility, health and safety
- Reduce blight by removing hazardous structures

****These need areas are uniformly set by Federal program regulations, published by HUD.***